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5. (Confidential - JMM) Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations, called to say that this afternoon Senator McClellan told Senator Cranston the FY 74 budget figures for CIA, NSA, DIA and NRO. Cranston asked about publishing them and McClellan reminded him of the fact that the figures were secret and of Cranston's responsibilities as a member of the Senate, but McConnell cannot guarantee that Cranston will not make the figures public.

6. (Confidential - JMM) National Program Intelligence Figures for Senator Symington were delivered to the Committee staff for passing to him at 0930 this morning.

7. (Unclassified - JMM) A personal birthday letter from Mr. Colby to Senator Stennis was delivered to the Senators's home this morning.

8. (Unclassified - JGO) In response to his call, I picked up a travel authorization letter for Representative William Minshall (R., Ohio) from Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee. The letter is a formal authorization by Chairman Mahon for use of funds to defer expenses on an authorized inspection trip.

9. (Confidential-JGO) Talked to Dr. John Brady, House Foreign Affairs Committee, who told me he would be traveling on Monday with Representative Lester Wolff (D., N. Y.), Representative Charles Rangel (D., N. Y.) and their wives to China on a narcotics inspection tour. There is some chance that Representative Bella Abzug (D., N. Y.) will be included in the party and that Representative Morgan Murphy (D., Ill.) and Fortney Stark (D., Calif.) will join the party in Bangkok. The party will arrive in Manila, August 10; Hong Kong, August 17; Taipei, August 20; Seoul, August 22; and Tokyo August 25. [REDACTED] will be sent out. [REDACTED] has been notified.

10. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and told him that Larry Houston is meeting today with the families of the Birmingham flyers to brief them.

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